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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 25-Aug-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 08/25/07	PREVIOUS WEEK 08/18/07
Broiler/fryer	166,287	165,741
Light hens	1,244	1,155
Heavy hens	1,636	1,530

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	318	0	318
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	294	0	294
Same week yr ago	61	0	61
To-date/2007	8,374	23	8,397
To-date/2006	5,638	23	5,661

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,363	1,524	2,887
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,559	1,668	3,227
Same week yr ago	963	1,759	2,722
To-date/2007	45,241	47,715	92,956
To-date/2006	42,470	48,918	91,388

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-07 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	165,682	1,045	1,524	2,569
Avg Wt	5.40	3.19	8.04	6.07
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	165,427	1,265	1,668	2,933
Same wk yr ago	160,682	902	1,759	2,661
Avg Wt	5.27	3.38	7.74	6.26
To-date/2007	5,286,263	36,867	47,692	84,559
To-date/2006	5,310,881	36,832	48,895	85,727

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based 169.5 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 167.7 million head, or 1.8 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-07

	(A) 4.25 lbs & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs	(D) 7.76 lbs & up	Total
Head	45,607	80,771	33,427	5,877	165,682
Avg Live Wgt	3.84	5.43	6.95	8.38	5.40
% of total /1	28%	48%	20%	4%	100%
Last week	44,351	86,441	30,055	4,580	165,427
Avg Live Wgt	3.77	5.37	6.96	8.30	5.31
% of total /1	27%	52%	18%	3%	100%
Year Ago 2/	47,956	81,700	25,542	5,484	160,682
Avg Live Wgt	3.87	5.35	6.98	8.39	5.27
% of total /1	30%	51%	16%	3%	100%
To date/2007	1,420,851	2,657,522	839,214	368,675	5,286,262
To date/2006	1,542,130	2,597,406	747,225	424,120	5,310,881

/1 May not total to 100% due to rounding.

/2 Comparable week.

Weight Class Description:

- (A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens.
- (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms.
- (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors.
- (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-07
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	
Head	2,041	2,657	43	1	4,742
Avg Wt	15.90	36.08	26.22	48.86	27.31
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,075	2,703	54	1	4,833
Same wk yr ago	2,108	2,624	18	5	4,755
Avg Wt	16.91	35.53	25.24	30.37	27.23
To-date/2007	64,079	85,506	684	171	150,440
To-date/2006	63,371	83,893	800	159	148,223

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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